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Applicants:

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For:

Method And Device For Transporting A Nonwoven

Between Two Rollers Disposed At A Distance

From Each Other

Group:

Examiner:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner

for Patents

January 16, 2002

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits of this application and <u>prior to calculation</u>
of the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims to read as follows:



3. (Amended) Method according to Claim 1, characterized in that, during delivery, the nonwoven material is simultaneously processed and cooled at the intrinsic temperature of the nonwoven material.



8. (Amended) Device according to Claim 1 including a calendar roller pair followed by an endless conveyor provided for further processing, characterized in that an additional permeable endless delivery conveyor (18) extends above the nonwoven track, approximately from the roller nip up to and beyond the following endless